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## Briefly

### YMCA spring classes begin

The Tri-City Area YMCA this week is launching its Spring II session of classes and programs, extending to June 18.

Physical classes include swimming, water exercise, lap swims, co-ed adult exercise sessions for beginners and advanced, youth and adult karate, Imperial dance lessons, racquetball basics and scuba (underwater breathing apparatus).

Non-physical programs involve kid craft, beginner stained glass, artwork shop exchange for adults, home repair, video cassette recorder maintenance, introductory bridge lessons and crime prevention.

Also featured will be self-defense workshops for seniors, women, adult couples and 8- to 12-year olds.

### Skin cancer screenings set

Free screenings for skin cancer will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at Suite 23, Wolf Medical Building, 2044 Madison Ave., Granite City, and at the Collinsville Health Center, 800 St. Louis Road, Collinsville.

Appointments are necessary and can be obtained by calling 798-3201.

### Six Mile to meet

The Old Six Mile Historical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road.

The speaker will be Earl Buenger, who will talk about O'Brien Tire, a hometown business tradition for nearly a century.

### Dinner planned

The Tri-City Methodist Men will host a spaghetti dinner Saturday, April 30.

The dinner will be held at Niedringhaus Methodist Church, 20th Street and Delmar Avenue, Granite City. Hours will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Donations are \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12 years of age.

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## 75 years ago

April 28, 1919  
Residents of Chouteau Slough Road were treated to a Wild West Show when 10 mules belonging to Louis Buenger of Chouteau Island broke out and were driven over the road by an automobile and several saddle horses.

## Trivia

What crop made Nameoki famous?

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# Full-day kindergarten plan OK'd

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

Parents of kindergarten-age children will have the opportunity to send their children to school for a full day instead of a half day.

The full-day pilot program has been adopted in four Granite City elementary schools, effective next year.

The Granite City School Board voted unanimously Tuesday night to implement one optional, full-day kindergarten class at each of four elementary schools —

Frohardt, Lake, Marshall and Parkview — next year.

If the pilot program in those schools proves successful, one full-day kindergarten class will be offered in each of the other five elementary schools in 1995-96; each school would offer two full-day kindergarten sessions in 1996-97, and full implementation would take place in 1997-98.

Parents would have the option of sending their children to traditional, half-day kindergarten classes as long as they are offered.

Director of Elementary Education Richard Brinkhoff told the board that a curriculum outline has been developed for the program, and that phasing the program in over a four-year period will allow teachers to fine-tune the curriculum throughout the pilot phase.

He said the stepped implementation would also give parents time to grasp the value of the concept.

"Full-day kindergarten has proven to be very successful in every district in which sufficient time has been given to prepare for the change," Brinkhoff said.

Schools in Collinsville, Belleville, Alton and Cahokia all offer full-day kindergarten now.

The benefits of the program, Brinkhoff said, are giving children more time to prepare for the more formal instruction program offered in first grade, giving teachers more time for "hands-on" learning projects, and allowing parents to become more involved in the learning process.

The district will also reap long-term financial benefits from the program.

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## Middle schools set for '95-96

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

A proposed change in seventh and eighth grade classes in Granite City schools could radically alter the way students learn.

Junior high schools would become middle schools and continue serving the same two grades as at present.

The Granite City School Board on Tuesday unanimously approved implementation of the middle-school concept at Grigsby and Coolidge junior high schools beginning in the fall of 1995.

Implementation would be contingent upon successful negotiation of contractual changes with the teachers' union and upon finding a funding source for the \$96,000 startup cost of the program.

The middle schools would be a radical change from the current junior high school structure, Director of Secondary Education Tom Holloway said.

He said implementation would allow for more teacher-student contact and would redirect the educational emphasis to increased academic study and achievement.

It would also allow for a smoother transition from elementary to secondary education, Holloway said.

Superintendent Steve Balen said the middle schools would reduce disciplinary problems and would allow teachers to better meet individual student needs.

Under the current system, junior high students travel from class to class every hour, seeing five different teachers over the course of the day "who probably never have the opportunity to discuss individual students or their needs," Balen said.

But under the middle-school plan, teachers at Grigsby would be divided into six three-member core teams responsible for 30 students per team.

Six four-member Coolidge core teams would be responsible for 120 students per team.

Instead of the five current hour-long classes in a junior high school day, one-, two- and three-hour blocks of time are scheduled for instruction in the core subjects of science, language arts, social studies and mathematics similar to the current elementary-school approach.

Each teacher in each core team would have time set aside every day for instruction planning with other teachers on the same team, and individual planning.

The team planning period would allow teachers to discuss and coordinate lesson plans and discuss individual students' needs.

Holloway said the plan, which includes the addition of a new building, is being studied.

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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

**Stashing the trash** — A group from the Granite City Headstart program works to clean up the community during the annual Stash the Trash program. From left are Becky Wingerter, Alycia Haug and Shirley Fingerhut. More photographs, story are on Page 5A today.

## IP to help on occupancy law

### Utility will withhold power until permits are OK'd

By Mike Myers  
Staff writer

Illinois Power has agreed to enforce local community ordinances that require residences to have valid occupancy permits before utilities are connected.

Granite City, Madison and Venice all have that requirement.

But all three cities have complained that Illinois Power has ignored the requirement and turned on electricity for residences that had no permit and, in some cases, could not pass the inspection required for a permit.

Madison Mayor John Bellico reported in early April that, after a number of discussions with Illinois Power, it was determined that the company's new centralized customer service procedure, operated out of Decatur, had short-circuited the former system of checking for city permits.

In those discussions, Bellico said, the company had shown no inclination to change its system to accommodate a city's requirement for a permit.

As a result, the Madison City Council instructed City Attorney Casper Nighohossian to look into taking legal action against Illinois Power for violation of city ordinances.

On Tuesday, however, Bellico reported that "Illinois Power changed its tune."

He said that last week he, Nighohossian, Granite City Mayor Ron Selph, Venice Mayor Tyrone Echols and building inspectors from those cities had a meeting with Ron Daine, the former Granite City area manager and now regional manager for Illinois Power.

At that meeting, Nighohossian said, Daine had been more pleasant and cooperative than the Illinois Power representatives at previous meetings and "if things work out as well as we think they will, we think we have solved our problem."

Nighohossian said all three cities agreed to start placing occupancy per-

mit stickers on the electric meter of buildings that pass inspection — a procedure already used in Granite City.

He said Illinois Power had agreed it will not turn on power unless a valid sticker is on the meter and agreed to remove the sticker when the power is turned on.

In June, Nighohossian said, Illinois Power plans to begin using a new computer system that will allow occupancy permit information to be included on the work order given to its crews.

"So, a person requesting that power be turned on will be asked for the permit number and then the crew will check the number given against the number on the sticker," Nighohossian said.

"If the numbers don't match, the power won't be turned on. And, if it is a false request, we can also file criminal charges (against the person making the request)."

The new computer will also allow the company to produce a daily activity report that will be given to the cities, Nighohossian said, so that the cities

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Bellico

## Lucky to be alive

### Mailman survives lightning strike

Dan Jacobs has started buying lottery tickets. After surviving a lightning strike that branded his chest and knocked him out, the 44-year-old Granite City postal carrier figures he's lucky enough to win.

"Actually, I've already won the big one," he says. "I'm alive."

Three weeks ago, Jacobs was shoveling dirt to divert rainwater from his house in the 100 block of Mill Street in Elsah when lightning came out of a thunderstorm and zapped his body.

"I didn't see a thing," said Jacobs, who was knocked several feet into the air by a blast that melted the elbows of his yellow raincoat.

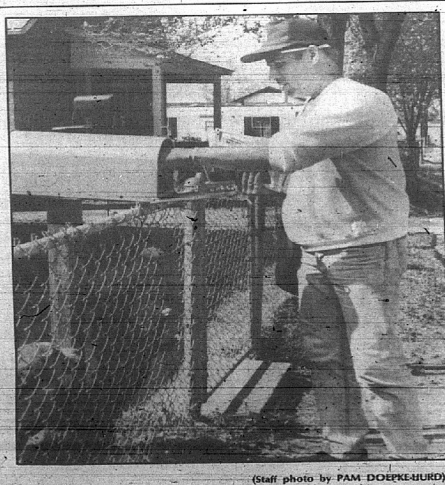
"I woke up startled and didn't know where I was. I had an instinct to put my arms out to get up, but they wouldn't move," he said.

A firefighter visiting a neighbor said Jacobs landed on his back and was unconscious when he got to him.

"I thought I was going to be paralyzed for the rest of my life. I thought I had fallen down and broken my back. Even after I sat up, I had this horrible feeling I was going to be a paraplegic," Jacobs said.

Relief began to set in after he passed all the

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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Dan Jacobs delivers mail in Granite City.

## Annexation offer voided

By Mike Myers  
Staff writer

Madison has withdrawn its offer to hold hearings with residents of East Madison and Cloverleaf concerning possible annexation into the city.

Alderman Ron Grzywacz said Tuesday that he had asked for hearings at the previous City Council meeting at the request of Nameoki Township Trustee Charlie Reed, who represents the two unincorporated neighborhoods.

But "what Mr. Reed told me is not what he told the newspaper and until we straighten out whether (the residents) actually do want to come into the city or not, I'd like to take my motion back," Grzywacz said.

In an article in the April 17 Granite City Journal, Reed was quoted as saying that he had only asked Grzywacz about the possibility of the city expanding its trash collection service to East Madison and the Cloverleaf Addition.

Reed said he had never told Grzywacz that the areas wanted to be annexed and said he doubted that they actually did.

Grzywacz insisted Tuesday that he had correctly relayed Reed's original request, but said that, since the request was apparently based on a false assumption, "Why waste our time? I'd like to drop our offer and then, if they want to do it, let them do something."



Grzywacz



## News in review

"News in review" provides a summary of top stories from the area. The column is designed to assist out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday newspapers.

### Many options at high school

Renovation of Granite City High School could cost between \$11.5 million and \$22.5 million.

Two architectural firms, Huff Architectural Group Inc. and Thompson Designers Inc., presented design plans for renovation of the 1920s-vintage school.

Gene Loges, new director of finance for the school district, said the district could probably repay debt on an \$11.5 million bond issue over a 20-year period if it continued to levy a property tax for its bond and interest fund at the current rate of 34 cents per \$100 assessed valuation. Continuation of the tax would require voter approval. Present bond debt is to be retired in December.

A referendum would not be required if the project qualifies for payment from life safety funds and the board opts to fund it in that manner, said Don Luebbers, a bond expert. The board voted to set up a special citizens advisory committee to solicit input and make recommendations on the project.

President Monroe Worthen said the board has "a lot to consider" before making a final decision on the proposals.

The \$16 million Huff plan includes gutting the building and replacing wiring, plumbing, windows, doors, roofs, ceilings, light fixtures and lockers; and installing heating and cooling systems that could be controlled in each room. Eleven high school classes are taught in either Coolidge Junior High or the second floor of the high school cafeteria; under the proposal, an addition would be added to the rear of the school.

### Soil removal not needed — expert

A blood-lead study of children and adults here indicates the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's plan to dig up hundreds of area yards is unnecessary.

This is the conclusion of the expert performing the study, Dr. Renate Kimbrough of the Institute for Evaluating Health Risks, Washington, D.C.

### Former Pontoon-clerk indicted

Former Pontoon Beach Village Clerk Mary Warren has been indicted on two counts of forgery and three counts of official misconduct.

Assistant State's Attorney Craig Jensen alleged a pattern of intentional abuse that potentially cost the village more than \$100,000 in revenue. He added that she did not appear to do anything illegal for personal gain.

### Dispatchers get extra training

If you have called an ambulance for a loved one who has just suffered a heart attack or stroke, or who is choking and fighting for breath, you know the few minutes it takes for emergency workers to arrive can seem like hours. What happens during those minutes can be critical to whether the patient lives or dies.

Next month, 350 telecommunications (sometimes referred to as dispatchers) from Madison and St. Clair counties will undergo training to help them provide over the telephone advice that could help save lives during those precious minutes.

They work at more than 35 Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) for 911 calls. After the new training, they will become certified Emergency Medical Dispatchers.



(Staff photo by BOB SLATE)  
Detective Sgt. Neal Mize, left, and Chief Paul Bargiel of the Madison Police Department inspect 15 marijuana plants confiscated from a home in the 1300 block of Washington Avenue on Monday night.

## Police confiscate pot

Acting on a tip Monday night, Madison police confiscated 15 marijuana plants, an elaborate growth system, several small packages of marijuana, paraphernalia and \$545 cash from the basement of a home in the 1300 block of Washington Avenue.

Two residents of the house, Paul J. Cox, 26, and Terry T. Brown II, 25, were charged with unlawful possession of cannabis with intent to deliver it in warrants issued Tuesday.

Both men were in the county jail Wednesday in lieu of bond set at \$50,000 each.

According to an information, the men possessed more than 300 grams of a substance containing cannabis.

Police said they discovered the alleged marijuana manufacturing scheme during a consent search Monday night.

Acting on a tip that people were smoking marijuana at the Washington Avenue address, police went to the home and received consent to search the building, police said.

Allegedly discovered in the basement were 15 marijuana plants, a timed 1,000-watt grow light and irrigation system and plant growth enhancement systems, police said.

They said they also found seeds and scales, several small packages of marijuana, \$545 in cash, pipes and other paraphernalia in the house.

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# National Steel beats 1st quarter jinx

## Company reports \$78 million net profit this year

By Mike Myers  
Staff writer

It took a \$107.9 million windfall to do it, but National Steel finally overcame its first-quarter jinx.

National Steel, parent company of Granite City Steel, announced Tuesday it had a net profit of \$78 million for the first quarter of 1994. For the same period last year, the company reported a net loss of \$70.2 million. The last time National Steel had a first-quarter profit was 1989.

This year's profit includes a \$107.9 million judgment payment to National Steel from the Bessemer & Lake Erie Railroad as a result of an anti-trust suit filed in federal court.

Including the judgment payment, National Steel showed a first-quarter operating profit of \$91.3 million, but the operating loss excluding the payment — \$19.7 million — was still an \$18 million improvement over the same period in 1993.

Ron Doerr, president and chief executive officer, attributed the change to corrective actions taken in the fourth quarter.

He said the company is continuing to make good progress in stabilizing its operations and correcting operational and delivery problems.

Doerr said he is optimistic about the remainder of 1994.

"Assuming that the economy continues to improve as forecast, we expect that National Steel will report an operating profit in the second quarter and for the remainder of 1994," Doerr said.

The adverse effects of winter weather on National Steel's manufacturing and shipping have traditionally made the first quarter the company's most difficult, Doerr said, and this year was no different.

"This year, conditions were particularly severe," Doerr said, adding that extremely harsh weather had added about \$10 million to the company's operating costs.

He said the normal seasonal decline in shipments to the construction and container markets did not occur this year.

"Instead, we shipped more than planned to these two markets and to the automotive market," Doerr said.

"Because of the improving markets for

steel, both our product mix and steel pricing showed improvement over last year's first quarter."

Sales in the first quarter totaled \$622.7 million — six percent above last year.

In the quarter, National Steel shipped 1,233,000 tons of flat-rolled steel products and produced 1,861,000 tons of raw steel.

Doerr said the price increases instituted during 1993 are now reflected in the company's contract sales, which make up about 40 percent of the company's business.

"In addition, the \$15 per ton increase in prices that took effect at the beginning of 1994 is holding up in spot market orders for hot-rolled, cold-rolled and coated products," Doerr said.

He said an additional \$10 per ton increase is scheduled to take effect July 3.

In a step designed to further strengthen the company balance sheet, Doerr said \$25.2 million of the judgment payment was used to redeem First Mortgage Bonds.

He said the company will continue to pursue options to strengthen its balance sheet in the second quarter.

# Commercial trash hauling for Madison

By Mike Myers  
Staff writer

Madison plans to get back into the commercial trash hauling business in the near future and — maybe — include sleeping rooms and apartment buildings among its commercial customers.

Following a heated debate, the aldermen voted unanimously Tuesday to have the Street and Alley Committee meet "as soon as possible" to begin planning for trash collection from commercial businesses. The committee was directed to include acquisition of dumpster-style containers, manpower for the sanitation department and a rate structure in its plan.

The committee is also to consider the possibility of implementing commercial collection in phases in order to allow the city time to acquire the large containers and allow customers time to terminate current contracts with commercial haulers.

Currently, each residential dwelling in the city — regardless of style or size — is billed \$9 a month for trash collection. Aldermen Ron Grzywacz and Ralph Miller, both on the Street and Alley Committee, have argued that "sleeping rooms" should either be exempted or given a reduced fee.

Alderman Eleanor Armour, however, argued that if "sleeping rooms" are given a break on the fee, owners of other apartment buildings will argue that their apartments are a commercial operation and, understandably, demand equal treatment.

"The people in the sleeping rooms produce just as much trash as a senior citizen living alone in an apartment," Armour said. "Why should the senior

citizen have to pay, but not the person in the sleeping room?"

When asked, Building Inspector Mike Foley said that he could think of at least 10 apartment buildings or complexes that would be likely to consider themselves commercial operations.

A number of heated exchanges followed with Aldermen Richard George, John Hamm, Mike Vucobac and Ed Newsome agreeing that Armour had a good point — and one that could not be ignored.

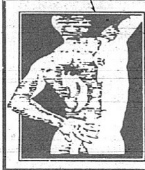
Grzywacz said he also agreed with Armour's argument and said, "Number one, I think we need to start picking up commercial accounts and, number two, I think we can work out a rate for all commercial accounts including sleeping rooms. I'll put that in the form of a motion."

Hamm said the aldermen needed to do a lot of thinking, hold a lot of discussion and do a lot of planning before "we just decide to start" picking up commercial trash.

After clarifying the motion, it was approved unanimously.

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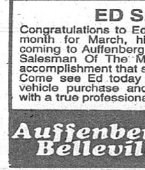


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## Editorials

### License revocation proper

Revocation of the liquor license for The Bar at 2127 Edwardsville Road means no one will be able to hold a liquor license at that location for at least a year.

There is little doubt that this will create a financial hardship for the property owners — a tavern building is good for little else than a tavern — and for the former employees. But it is hard to feel sorry for either.

The evidence is clear that The Bar was used as a location to sell illegal drugs, collect money for illegal drug transactions and store illegal drugs.

While it would be unfair to assume that either the property owners or employees knew or condoned this activity, it would not be unfair to expect both groups — with their livelihoods at stake — to have taken steps to ensure that such activity couldn't take place.

Liquor licenses are granted to establishments in order that they may operate "in the public interest." Just how a tavern serves the public interest may be debated. That the sale and distribution of illegal drugs is not in the public interest, however, is not open for debate.

For too many years, the granting of liquor licenses in area communities has been an almost automatic process. Too many times, holders of liquor licenses who have been found guilty of violating suspension or revocation have been allowed to transfer the license to another party rather than face direct disciplinary action.

We applaud Madison Mayor John Bellcock for revoking the liquor license of The Bar and hope his action will send a clear message to liquor license owners and the operators and employees of licensed establishments.

If you don't want to lose your livelihood, you must take the necessary precautions to see that the establishment is not the site of illegal activity.

### Spring-abloom but little access to retail stores at county seat

(Carol Clarking writes this Edwardsville Journalcolumn.)

There's nothing like spring to bring out the cockeyed optimist in me. The end of winter and the start of spring branches. Now, instead, the sound of birds at day's first light. The overnight greening of the world. Once again, the glass is half-full.

"Loveliest of trees, the cherry now is hung with bloom along the bough," A.E. Housman wrote.

Toting up the years left him, he concluded, "And since to look at things in bloom, 50 springs are little more, about the woodlands I will go, to see the cherry hung with snow."

So, taking a page from his book, last week I took a number of leisurely drives around Edwardsville to view the blooms — not just the white of cherry, but dogwood and tulips and daffodils and hyacinths, mayflowers and sweet William and yards carpeted in violets. And let me tell you, this is one pretty little town.

Not only the expensive, secluded subdivisions, which have sprung up like spring mushrooms after a warm, wet night, but the older, humbler neighborhoods — all looking as fresh and clean, and smelling as sweet as a just-bathed baby.

Has it always been this pretty or is it just me, recognizing that there's a distinct limit to the number of springs left for me to enjoy? Certainly, there's been a growing renovation of older homes, a sprucing up of neighborhoods. New paint and shutters, additions of year-round sunrooms and decks on older dwellings.

These aren't imagined. It's truly become a town about which I would think a stranger driving around and through it would think, "What a nice place to live!"

With the glaring exception, at least to me, of downtown Edwardsville which, aside from the new Madison County Administration building, is aesthetically uninspiring.

Sure, it's clean enough and the buildings are, for the most part, in good repair. But it looks dull, institutional. Lacking in character.

Granting that downtown probably never was what anyone could call a thing of beauty, it didn't lack character. It was interesting; it had contrast.

I liked it better the way it was 40 years ago.

Not only for the character, of course, but because it boasted just about every type of service and store one needed for day-to-day living. Frankly, I miss those places.

Remember when there were four drug stores downtown — Schwartz, Ballweg's and Winter's? Two bakeries and two five-and-dimes? At least two shoe stores and jewelry stores?

Two movies — the Lux and the Wilkey? Two "department" type stores, P.N. Hirsch and the Madison Store? A furniture store, a candy kitchen, even two shoe repair shops? Three dress shops and four car dealerships within shouting distance? Oh, how I miss Auerbach's and Nathan Marcus and Jessie Brown's lunch counter in Motter's!

Grocery stores? When we moved here, there were, downtown, Tri-City, Kroger's, and Levi's IGA and the Frozen Food market. And, within a few years, the first National store, on St. Louis Street. That's not counting the various mom-and-pop groceries scattered throughout the various neighborhoods. Places like Figge's and Jacobson's. Handy places with decent stock (and usually, excellent meat) — not "quick" shops, but real grocery stores.

Beginning next week, only the Frozen Food store will be left. The last dinosaur, so to speak.

Henceforth, the advice will be, "Go south, young man" and, sad to say, a number of older women who don't drive. Go south, along Nightmare Alley (officially Troy Road).

Enjoy the view; you'll have plenty of time, what with the railroad crossing and starting at Buchanan and Vandalia; five sets of traffic lights, six, if you count those at the entrance to the new supermarket.

So, it's "go south" or go out of town, an option I'm told a lot of north end residents are seriously considering.

Progress? I wonder. Between you and me, I think I prefer the snobs of yesterday.

### Charter schools may be tried as a pilot project

(Alton Telegraph comment)

The Illinois Senate Education Committee has advanced a bill that would let schools decide the curriculum and how children are taught. The committee reluctantly advanced legislation that would allow 45 pilot schools across the state to operate with fewer restrictions and more performance-based rules. "Unlike traditional public schools, a charter school charters its own destiny," said Bernice Bloom, executive assistant on education for Gov. Jim Edgar.

"It defines its own educational environment and is accountable for the results." Charter schools are tuition-free public schools that contract with local school boards on what and how a child can be taught and what the child is expected to achieve.

In charter schools, teachers design their own curriculum and local school boards evaluate needs and tailor the charter schools to meet those needs. Bloom said charter schools won't cost the state any additional money, since existing funds would be used. Representatives of the Illinois Federation of Teachers and the Illinois Education Association have said they fear the bill could scrap state regulations regarding teachers' collective bargaining law, tenure requirements, teaching certification and background checks for school personnel.



## Resisting temptation may be the only road to success in fighting illegal drug use in county

(Alton Telegraph comment)

A four-part newspaper series this month looked at the serious drug problems our Madison County area communities face, particularly the growing problem with cocaine.

There was universal agreement among police, prosecutors, counselors and medical people about the depth of the problem.

Sadly, there is little agreement on any solutions and, indeed, few very good solutions that may even be considered.

The statistics are startling and frightening. In Madison County alone, cocaine was found in the bodies of 60 victims of accidents, crimes and suicides autopsied in the last half-decade.

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TO THE EDITOR: The American Jewish Committee, America's oldest human relations organization, views with alarm the planned May 6 rally by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Edwardsville.

This rally is a sad reminder that hatred and bigotry still exist.

The American Jewish Committee believes that the hate-mongering espoused by the Klan does not reflect the larger values of the citizens of Madison County.

We look for the community to respond in a constructive manner that will promote harmony and respect for diversity.

MONT S. LEVY  
President, St. Louis Chapter  
ROBERT S. LEVY  
Director, Central States

### Our guest

That's one death a month for five years. And the victims are a cross-section of social, educational, racial and economic strata.

Equally alarming are the huge numbers of people who are arrested and processed by the court system.

Hundreds are sentenced to prison time, treatment or counseling.

There is no way anyone can assess the enormous social and economic pressures this epidemic of drug use places on families, schools, businesses and taxpayers.

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ers. But we can be sure that it is a calamity of enormous proportions.

To fight the problem, police are looking for more money and more officers to step up the pace of investigations and arrests.

Meanwhile, judges are looking for alternative ways to deal with the glut of offenders in the face of a lack of prison space.

But no one is optimistic that our society can come up with the huge amount of money that will be needed to adequately deal with the problem.

Nor does anyone believe that the greed that motivates the huge international business of drug dealing will ever be stamped out.

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Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) programs may be able to provide some sort of intellectual inoculation against drug abuse.

But those programs are relatively new and their results cannot be measured until the generation exposed to them comes of age.

Ultimately, it appears, only a sweeping shift toward individual and family commitment to resisting the temptations of drugs will begin to address the problem.

Often, the best solution to the most complex problem is the simplest one.

In this case, it appears that the solution remains: Just saying "No."

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### VFW auction helps veterans

TO THE EDITOR: Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1300 and its Auxiliary thank the many business people and friends of the VFW who donated merchandise and certificates to the 1994 Poppy Auction.

The auction is held annually to raise funds for rehabilitation of veterans and for their families.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for making the auction very successful this year.

RON MASON  
BONNIE COSTELLO  
Poppy co-chairmen

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# People

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## Jr. Service to install new officers



Kathy  
Dohnal

Kathy Dohnal covers the Madison-Venice scene for the Press-Record/Journal. Articles can be sent to 2108 Lynch or she can be contacted at 797-2077.

The following is a recipe submitted by Connie Grupas for the recipe swap.

**Vanilla Mousse**  
1 piece (three inches) vanilla bean  
2 cups heavy cream  
1/2 cup sugar  
2 egg whites  
1/4 tsp. salt  
Split bean, scrape out seeds. Add pod and seeds to 1/2 cup cream. Simmer for two minutes. Stir in sugar. Cool; remove pod. Whip remaining cream until soft. Stir in cooled cream and mixture. Beat egg whites and salt until soft peaks form. Fold into whipped cream. Pour into refrigerator tray. Freeze until ice crystals form around the edge. Scrape into bowl and beat until smooth. Pour back into tray and freeze until firm. Makes one quart.

The Old Times Sake group met for dinner on April 20 at Zeppe's Restaurant in Collinsville. Attending the dinner were Pat Scherrills, Pat Lalich, Kathy Dohnal, Mary Firtos, Betty Bucatch, Connie Grupas and Gerry Mendez.

The ladies also had lunch at Jessica's Cottage in Granite City.

Madison Junior Service held its monthly meeting April 12 at the recreation center. Plans were made for the installation of new officers in May at Raveland's Restaurant. New members will be welcomed at this event. Donations were made to the Madison Knit League, Blair School for Awards Day, Harris School for playground equipment, Madison Middle School for the Mark Program and Madison Senior High for the yearbook and awards.

Hostesses were Roberta Crawford and Dorothy Hatfield.

Other members attending were Carla Voloski, president; Sandy Barnett; JoAnn Fanning; Mary Anna Kaminski; Christine Leary; Karen McIlroy; Anna Roseman; Charlene Voloski; Irene Orr and guest, Lillian Browne.

St. Mary's activities committee held its monthly meeting April 21 at St. Mary's Rectory. Those in attendance were Cathy Cullen, Norman Marler, Dolores Brunick, Sister Bernadette, Janet Werner, Rosalie Stern, Alda Yurko, Mary Gozian and Goldie Rozycki.

Rozycki, treasurer, reported on the chicken and dumplings and roast beef dinner held April 10.

Plans for the annual three-day picnic to be held Sept. 16, 17 and 18 were discussed. There will be various ethnic food stands and also music, provided by the Dave Hyla Band.

The winners for the raffle of the lawn goose and yard basket, drawn April 10 were Steven Kowalezyk, lawn goose, and Bryan Gagich, yard basket.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 19.

## Annual Big Brother/Sister drive begins

The Annual Big Brother/Big Sister Sustaining Fund Drive began Tuesday in Madison County, according to Tim Keith, chairman.

Funds raised during the Sustaining Fund drive will be used to recruit, screen, train and match new volunteers with Little Brothers and Little Sisters.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters serves children — in Madison and St. Clair counties — who come from single-parent families. These children are matched with adult volunteers who spend 10 to 12 hours per month with a child in a one-to-one relationship. The volunteer becomes a friend, mentor and role model to the child with whom he is matched.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters presently serves 350 children. For more information about the drive or to make a contribution, call Barbara at 398-3162.



(Staff photos by PAM DOEPKEHURD)

Stashing trash in top photo are Brownies from Troop 949, Danille Carr, left, and Elizabeth Pryor, shown cleaning up around downtown Granite City. In photo at left are employees of Waste Management, Tom Newcom, left, and Troy Lillis, who volunteered to clean up the Interstate 270 cloverleaf at Highway 203.

## The Trash gets Stashed

Good weather, new programs help make annual event a success

By Mike Myers  
Staff writer

As promised, Shirley Bush ordered sunshine for the 15th annual Stash the Trash campaign April 16 and — except for a little more wind than ideal — it was a perfect day.

Seventeen teams participated in the highway cleanup "golf classic" competition. And elsewhere, seven neighborhood groups and a host of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts worked to make the cleanup day a success.

"We're very pleased with everyone," said Bush, of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce. "Every year, this keeps getting bigger and better."

Stash the Trash was the climax of the chamber's annual Community Cleanup Campaign coordinated by the chamber's Community Pride Committee.

In the golf classic, teams "played" individual fairways marked out on area highways, collecting trash to be "holed" at the flag.

Teams participating were the U.S. Army Melvin Price Center, Wal-Mart, Waste Management Inc., Belleville Area College, Magna Bank, Central Bank, First Bank, Roosevelt Bank, Century 21 Realtors, McDonald's, Headstart, BFI Waste Systems, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City Steel, Hope Lutheran Church, Madison County Probation Department and Columbia Landscaping.

New for this year's Stash the Trash was a recycling program run by the Boy and Girl Scouts. Recycling bins were placed at Granite City High School, Magna Bank at Pontoon and Maryville roads, McDonald's at Madison Avenue and 21st Street, and First National Bank in Madison.

All money received for the recyclables will go to the Scouts. Neighborhood groups participating in Stash the Trash



A group of Cub Scouts, sponsored by the Melvin Price Center, work to clean up a lot. From left are Danny Jones, Adam Carney and Major Richard Jones.

were the Arlington Homeowners Association, the Maple Street Block Association, the Legacy Home Owners Association, the Downtown Neighborhood Restoration Society, Old Six Mile Historical Society, the Pontoon Beach Group and the Garden Study Club.

Cleanup activities began at 8:30 a.m. and a picnic for all participants was held at Wilson Park at 11:30 a.m.

The cleanup campaign will officially end with a tree planting at Worthen Park later this month.

The campaign began with a poster coloring contest for third-graders. The contest attracted more than 1,100 entries.

Savings bonds were awarded

to eight winners and coloring books were given to 200 recipients of honorable mentions.

Donating the savings bonds were Magna Bank, Central Bank, Guardian Savings, First National Bank in Madison.

Businesses and organizations that contributed services or products for the Stash the Trash were Cohen's Market, Wal-Mart, Frito Lay, Charlie's Restaurant, Hardee's, Mrs. Seibold's Bakeries, McDonald's, Pepsi Cola, Vess Soda, National Supermarkets, Shop 'n Save, Waste Management, Columbia Landscaping, the Granite City Park District, the Granite City Board of Realtors, the Granite City Business and Professional Women and Sandy Pence.



Among faculty, staff and students at Belleville Area College who participated in the cleanup were Granite City Campus Public Safety Director Linda Doerge and her son, Charles, 9, who picked up trash along Highway 203 between the campus and Interstate 270. Twenty-one volunteers from the campus cleaned up 83 bags of trash.



Steve Hurd of the Granite City Kiwanis and Margie Baker of Magna Bank work together to clean up the side of Highway 203.



Employees of Granite City Steel fan out in downtown Granite City during the 1994 Stash the Trash.



Ted Ellerman, president of St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, picks up trash on Delmar Avenue in downtown Granite City.



## Obituaries

## John Stroud

John H. Stroud, 60, of Centerville died at 10:40 a.m. Tuesday, April 26, 1994, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville. He was born Sept. 8, 1933, in Rector, Ark.

Mr. Stroud was owner and operator of Centerville Lounge in Centerville and previously working as a mechanic with Field Truck Leasing for 40 years.

Survivors include his wife, Emma "Maxine" (Miller) Stroud; one son, John B. Stroud of Pinson, Ala.; two daughters, Deborah J. of Carlyle and Toni D. Hergenroeder of Marietta; four stepsons, Danny Hendrix of Aurora, Ky., Fred Hendrix of Dupo; two brothers, Donald Stroud of Carlyle and Edward L. Stroud of Nashville, Ill.; 17 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Lucile (Pinnion) Stroud.

Visitation will begin at 6 p.m.

Friday at Kessly Colonial Mortuary, 9900 St. Clair Ave., Fairview Heights, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday with the Rev. Darrell Atkins officiating. Burial will be at Valhalla Gardens of Memory, Belleville.

## K. Washington

Kenneth DeWitt Washington, 26, of Granite City died Monday, April 25, 1994, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

He was born Oct. 22, 1967, in East St. Louis and had been a lifelong resident of the Metro East area.

He was employed as a cook. Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Jacquelyn and Robert Wright, and his grandmother, Mary Washington.

Graveside services and burial were held Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Home, Madison. Arrangements were by Officer Funeral Home, East St. Louis.

tests and was released from overnight observation at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in Creve Coeur.

"Everything is normal," he said. "Lightning can damage the heart muscle and cause cataclysms that begin to grow several days after the strike," he said.

Electricians apparently have a high incidence of cataclysms from their work, he added. "The only thing I feel is anxiety. I'm a little weak and jittery, but they tell me I have to let my body rest awhile. Physically, I'm OK," but I'm tired and weak from the effects of the trauma," he said. "The doc told me just to rest."

Jacobs is following medical advice to stay away from smoking and to concentrate on high-protein food to repair his body tissue inside and out. He has saved to help heal the five-inch-wide brand the lightning left across his chest and arms.

"I used to hear all the lightning stories, but I never thought about it. Now I'm giving it a little more respect," Jacobs said.

The strangest part of the experience was that it was totally painless, Jacobs said.

It must be the same when you die. You have no feelings and there is no pain. You're just gone. You have no thought processes, so you can't feel scared. Your brain's not working," he said.

You're just totally out, bam, like blank space. And then you come to and the fear comes when your brain starts working again."

Reactions to his account of the incident vary. The clerks at the medical insurance company could not believe what had happened.

The same thing happens when Jacobs and his wife, Marcy, go to the drug store or stop for lunch.

"Everybody wants to see the jacket, and everybody knows somebody with a lightning story. I guess it happens more than we know," he said.

One man was reluctant to shake Jacobs' hand but another was eager to try shaking in his good luck. A lottery clerk even asked him to put his hand on the lottery machine while she rang up sales.

Even the medics in the ambulance thought he should start making commercials for Lucky Strike cigarettes.

Jacobs said he is just happy to be able to get back to his new

## •Lucky

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job, walking a route for the Granite City Post Office. Jacobs had only worked at the post office for a week before the accident occurred.

"I'm very glad I'm alive, and I plan on letting the little things that irritate me slide. I have seen the light, so to speak," he said.

Jacobs and his wife sat down several days after the lightning struck and talked about it. It's changed their philosophy on life."

"It's not my world, it's God's and he's given me a second chance," he said. "I've gone through some changes, and the gripes don't seem to bother me anymore."

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## Rendezvous this weekend

Local Boy Scouts will go back in time to throw knives and tomahawks, ride horses and "broncos" and shoot muzzle-loading rifles this weekend at a Rendezvous.

Program Chairman Dwayne Pritchett of Granite City said the theme of this year's annual spring campsite is to let the boys sample what it was like to live in early America. Log-awing contests, a tree stump loss, and fire building by fire and steel will complete the day's activities.

Some relics of bygone years will be displayed. Area "Mountain Men" experts will be advisers for the event.

The Order of the Arrow honor society will kick off the weekend with a cross-over ceremony. Area Cub Scouts who are 10 years old and are graduating will be receiving into their new Boy Scout Troops during the ceremony. Some will spend the weekend with their parents as their first official scouting activity.

All the troops will be camping under their own canvas and cooking their own meals. Participation Chairman Ernie Fries of Dorsey, Ill., said reservations are due now and must be received so that

supplies can be ordered. Based on past experience, he expects 300 to 400 boys and another 100 adults will participate. Explorers from Police Post 18-B will supply security and traffic control personnel. Explorers from Post 126 will conduct a large district-wide campfire program Saturday night. The EMS Post 1070 of Edwardsville will man a first aid station for the event.

Religious services will be available on site, said Curt Bosworth of Troy. Virgil Volmer, Bunker Hill, will be the ringmaster for the black powder rifle shooting on Saturday. Commissioner Dennis Luessenheid, Troy, is in charge of awards and judging. Jim Johns, Highland, is in charge of the headquarters operation and physical arrangements.

Troops from Granite City, Edwardsville, Collinsville, Troy, Highland and Greenville are expected to roll into Scout Camp Warren Lewis in Godfrey, and set up camp early Friday evening, April 29. Troops will be encouraged to stay over on Sunday and conduct their own programs for adventure and rank advancement.

The district would lose an additional \$33,000 in the second year and \$50,000 more in the third year, Brinkhoff said. The school system would realize a profit of \$50,000 in the fourth year and would realize a \$250,000 revenue advantage in subsequent years, based on current enrollment figures, Brinkhoff said.

Once it is fully implemented, 11 additional classrooms will be needed to house kindergarten students, he said. That amount of space is currently available, he added.

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## Willis Kitchen

Willis Bedford Kitchen Sr., 72, of Madison died at 10:53 p.m. Monday, April 25, 1994, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, after a one-year illness.

Born Aug. 2, 1921, in Bernie, Mo., he had been a resident of Madison for 47 years.

Mr. Kitchen was a car man with the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad prior to his retirement in 1981. He was a member of Swansea Moose Lodge and attended the First Baptist Church, Madison.

Survivors include two sons, Franklin Kitchen of Cameron Park, Calif., and Willis B. Kitchen Jr. of Swankville, Ill.; one daughter, Joyce Ann Pryor of Glen Carbon; his mother, Ora (Henny) Conner of Troy; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jasper Conner.

Visitation is from 8 to 8 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Paul Davis officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

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"All in all, it looks like we're going to get good cooperation," Nighossian said.

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According to a letter from the State Board of Education, the Granite City District would have been eligible for a \$100,000 state aid last year had there been full-day kindergarten.

The state aid formula includes as a factor the number of students who attend schools. Students who attend for only a half-day count as half of a child in the formula.

Because additional staff is needed for the program, and since there is a year-long delay in state aid payments, the district would lose \$67,000 next year because of the program, based on current enrollment projections, Brinkhoff said.

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## Funeral services

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

ANGLE, Marie (Roach), 64, of Granite City died at 1:25 a.m. Sunday, April 24, 1994, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were held Tuesday at Davis Funeral Home, Granite City, by the Rev. Ron Chase. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children.

BRAKE, Mary (Hall), 59, of Granite City died at 1:25 a.m. Sunday, April 24, 1994, at Colonial Care Center, Granite City. Services were held Tuesday at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Robert DeGrand. Burial was at Holy Cross Cemetery, Fairview Heights. Arrangements were by Wenzel Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach.

DEGISCHER, Marguerite (Messmore), 71, of Madison died at 8:04 a.m. Sunday, April 24, 1994, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. Services were held Wednesday at Wenzel Chapel for Funerals, Madison. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

DOTSON, Essie Mae (Dollins), 87, of Pomona, Ill., formerly of Granite City, died at 12:56 p.m. Saturday, April 23, 1994, at Jackson County Nursing Home, Mississippi. Services were held Tuesday at Lahey-Sedack Funeral Home, Madison, by the Rev. Lester Johnson. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

JUDY, John E., 88, of Granite City, formerly of St. Louis, died at 7:58 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, 1994, in the emergency room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were held Monday at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Robert DeGrand. Burial was at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County. Arrangements were by Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Memorials to Tri-City Association for the Handicapped or St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.

KIARICH, Albert J., 72, of Granite City, formerly of St. Louis, died at 3:43 a.m. Friday, April 22, 1994, at home. Services were held Monday at Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Erwin Savelle. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Arrangements were by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Memorials to Calvary Cemetery Chapel Fund.

MANN, Ruth Ida (Schroeder), 90, of Granite City, formerly of Rolla, Mo., died at 12:10 a.m. Thursday, April 21, 1994, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were held Saturday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, by the Rev. Lewis Trotter. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to First Presbyterian Church, Granite City.

MCLEAN, Mary Agnes (Buscher), 83, of Litchfield, formerly of Granite City, died at 4:24 a.m. Thursday, April 21, 1994, at St. Francis Hospital, Litchfield. Services were held Saturday at Holy

Family Catholic Church, Litchfield, by the Rev. Adelbert Buscher. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Arrangements were by Ross-Plummer Funeral Home, Litchfield. Memorials of Masses to Holy Family Church, Litchfield, are suggested.

NORRIS, Mabel D. (Mitchell), 88, of Granite City died at 6:15 a.m. Thursday, April 21, 1994, at Colonial Care Center, Granite City. Services were held Saturday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Schuyler Kroeger. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to Mitchell Presbyterian Church, Granite City.

POLLOCK, Rosemary K. (Lentz), 79, of Caseyville died at 8:25 a.m. Thursday, April 21, 1994, at home. Services were held Monday at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Caseyville, by the Rev. Tom Flach. Burial was at Carmel Cemetery, Belleville. Arrangements were by Herr Caseyville Chapel, Caseyville. Memorials in the form of Masses or to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

REEVES, Gladys (McKoolly), 70, of Granite City, formerly of Dixon, Mo., died at 12:28 a.m. Friday, April 22, 1994, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Survivors include a son, Robert E. Reeves of Shelbyville, Ill. Services were held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Don Stratton. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to American Cancer Society or Hospice of Madison County.

## Correction

The engagement announcement of Nedra Lynn Beltz and Steven Eugene Tankley that appeared in the April 21 Granite City Press-Record listed an incorrect date for the couple's planned wedding. The actual wedding date is July 16.

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<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>													
KTVI	(2)	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Medical Privacy				Cur. Affair	Work Copy	News	ABC News	News	Entertain.
KMD	(4)	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Rescue	Golden G.	Young-Retards	News	News	CBS News	News	News	Journal	
KBDK	(5)	Another World	Days of Our Lives	Edition	Jeopardy!	Oprah Winfrey				News	MBC News	News	Fortune
KNLG	(7)	700 Club	Mission: Impossible	Z. Music			Varied			Yogi	Mission: Impossible	News	
KONK	(1)	J. Winney's World	ALF	Tom-Jerry	Tiny Toon	Animaniacs	Family M.	Family M.	Family M.	Coach			Caps
KPLC	(1)	Station	Barney	ALF	Tom-Jerry	Sandylas	Sc. 1 TV	Sc. 1 TV	Sc. 1 TV	MacFadden	MacFadden	MacFadden	MacFadden
KRTS	(11)	Movie Cont'	Movie Cont'	Tale Spin	Darwin	Goat Top.	Barkers	Barkers	Barkers	Full House	Boat?	Rosanne	Rosanne
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>													
CBC	(2)	Money Wheel Cont'd	Money	Market	Market	World				Tanite	Tanite	Tanite	Varied
CNN	(2)	Newsday	In/L. Hour	Varied	Earlytime	Politics	Earlytime	Showbiz	World Today	Looney	Looney	Looney	Crossfire
NCTV	(7)	Movie	Lassie	My Hude	Winifrey	Police	Sally	Temple	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Muppets
USA	(2)	Joker's Trk Tacs	Press Luck	Scrabble	Pyramid	Pyramid	MacGyver			Turtles	Turtles	Wings	Wings
ESPN	(2)	Varied	Varied	Max Out	Teacost	Teacost	Varied			Spook Tap	Sportscenter		Hockey
DISC	(2)	Per Con. Varied	Cutins	Planet	Chadestrel	ESQ	Hmweaks.	Varied		Pat Can.	Mutlay	Brifford	2000
TBS	(14)	Movie Cont'	Bugs	Grapham	Flintstones	Bready B.	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Charles	Go. Pains	Go. Pains	Go. Pains	Hillbills
TWC	(2)	Althorn's Weather	Althorn's Weather				This Evening's Weather	Saved-Bell					
WGN	(12)	Kip	Varied Programs							Daved Bell	Charles	Design W.	Jefferson
WHLS	(10)	Classic Club Cont'd	Varied Programs							Classic Club		Varied Programs	
AMC	(28)	Movie Cont'	Movie	Varied Programs			Movie	Varied Programs				Movie	Varied
TN	(35)	Club Dance	VideoPM							VideoPM	Club Dance		News
MTV	(9)	Video	Publy	Varied	Jams								
LIFE	(30)	Moonlighting	Varied	Jams									
HN	(33)	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	Supernst	Shop-Drop	Unswed	Mystirin
FAM	(26)	Boggle	Make Deal	Healthchit	Mario	Popeye	My Dog	Punky B.	Stallion	K-9 Cap	Lassie	Waltons	News
A&E	(31)	Varied Programs						Police Story		Redford Files		In Search Of	
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>													
HBO	(14)	Movie	Varied Programs			Movie	Varied Programs						
SHOW	(15)	Movie	Varied Programs										
TMC	(17)	Movie	Varied Programs							Movie	Varied Programs		
DISN	(16)	Movie	Pony Tales	Quack	Cars Bears Umbrella	Wooling	Kids Inc.	Mickey		C. Brown	Varied Programs		

FRIDAY EVENING APRIL 29, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30
<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>												
KTVI	21	Fam. Mat. <i>BayWatch</i>	Step by Step	5. Sister, St.	30		News	0	Livefrom	M. Design, W.	Entertain	News
KMOV	4	Diagnosis Murder	Burke's Law	(In Stereo)	20	Picket Fences	0	News	Live Can.	Leahy Show (In Stereo)	Artenia Hall (In Stereo)	Leahy Show
KSDK	3	On Tnt2 (In Stereo)	*** <i>Mechanic's: Final Fall of The C-1</i>	(1994)	40		News	0	Tonight Show	0	Rush L.	Leahy Show (In Stereo)
KNLG	12	Gm. Aaaa (In Stereo)	*** <i>Jack of Triumph</i> (1948, Drom)				Lesters	1	Ricky Rice	1	Say	Mission Impossible
KGN	1	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
KETC	3	Week, W. Mat. St.	Wing and a Prayer	0	Trek: Next Gener.	0	FAT"SH Business	0	Cook, C. H. Hall	0	Cops C.	Emp. News
KPLR	31	Major League Baseball	St. Louis Cardinals at Houston Astros (Live)				News	0	Cheers	0	H. Patel (In Stereo)	Prevision
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>												
SC	93	Heckey: Gallivan Cup	Scotch Soccer		Jensenwood Sports	T. Table	Winston Cup Special	0	Scotch Soccer		Aqueduct	
CNN	29	Primetime	0	Live King Live	0	World News	0	Monday Night	0	Showbiz	0	Calling All Stars
NBC	4	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
NBA	10	NBA Basketball Playoffs	Teams to Be Announced	0	0	NBA Basketball	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA	68	Murder, She Wrote	0	*** <i>Snow King</i> (1990)	0	Fam D'Arbanville	0	*** <i>Cursidy Kilks</i> (1990)	0	Thomas Howell	0	<i>"Sweet-Saver"</i>
ESPN	23	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Eastern Conf. Quarterfinal			Baseball	Sportscenter	Baseball	Up Close	0	Aura Race	0	Running
DISC	24	Wildlife	Nature	Armor	Firefighter	Beirut to Bosnia	Wildlife	Nature	Aura Race	0	Firepower	Beirut to Bosnia (R)
TBS	13	NBA Basketball Playoffs: Teams 1BA			NBA Basketball Playoffs	Teams to Be Announced	0	0	0	*** <i>Clash of The Titans</i> (1981)		
WB	10	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
WGN	12	Major League Baseball: White Sox at Tigers			News	0	Today's Weather	0	National weather conditions	0	Today's Weather	0
WHSN	10	(6:00 Classic Club			Classic Club		Night Cr.	0	Upstream Country Club	0	Knight Ride	20:00 (In Stereo)
AMC	28	*** <i>The Out-Of-Towns</i> ***	*** <i>442</i> ***	*** <i>Midnight Lane</i> (1960)	0	Doris Day	0	*** <i>Situation Hopeless - But Not Serious</i> (1955)	0	*** <i>The Out-Of-Towns</i> ***		
TNN	35	Hot Country Nights	0	Music City Night (In Stereo)	0	Club Dance (In Stereo)	0	News	0	Hot Country Nights	0	Music City Tonight (R)
LFT	38	Top 20 Video Countdown (In Stereo)			State	Beavis	0	Beavis	0	Top MTV Raps	0	Beavis
MTV	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HN	33	News	0	News	0	News	0	Unshared Mysteries	0	News	0	News
FAM	29	*** <i>Harvest for the Heart</i> *** (1994, Drom)	0	700 Club	0	Bonanza	0	Big Jake	0	Monism	0	Paid Prog. Paid Prog
A&E	31	Time Machine	Investigative Reports	0	Ancient Myst.	0	Evening at the Improv	0	Time Machine	0	Investigative Reports	0
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>												
NBC	4	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
SHOW	15	*** <i>Entertain Family</i> ***	*** <i>442</i> ***	*** <i>A Few Good Men</i> (1992)	0	Dramo Tom Cruise, T. Cruise	0	*** <i>Life's Christmas</i> ***	0	0	0	0
TMC	17	*** <i>"The Public Eye</i> (1992)	R	*** <i>"Delia Hale</i> (1992)	R	*** <i>"Hard Hounded</i> (1992)	D	*** <i>"Dance Spirit</i> ***	R	0	0	0
DISN	16	*** <i>Innocent Journey</i> ***	*** <i>"Cowboys Don't Cry</i> (1988)	Rom White	0	*** <i>"On Promised Land</i> (1994, Drom)	0	0	0	0	0	0

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON APRIL 30, 199

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<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>												
KTVI (7)	Golf	PGA Golf: Houston Open - Third Round.	[PGA] Golf	World of Sports (C)	Enmr. Calif.	ABC News	News	C	Take 2			
KMOV (6)	Paid Prog.	Swimming and Diving [PGA] Golf	Spring Championship - Third Round.		Newsweek	ABC News	News	C	Paid Prog.			
KSDK (8)	NBA Basketball Playoffs	NBA Basketball Playoffs: First Round. Gm. 2, Teams TBA			News	[ABC News]	News	C	Fortune			
KNSD (5)	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	C	Seating			
KONL (8)	"Wetland" News	** "Repressed" (1990, Comedy) Linda Blair	** "Jump Up the Values" (1990, Drama)		Unsubscribes							
KETC (3)	Guns like Duggan	Painting Set Sails	Gauss	Massini	Asian City Limits				Homeless			
KPLR (11)	** "Aveving Force" (1986) Michael Dudikoff	** "Residence" (1986) Jennifer Bower			Reviews [Workshop]				Dreams			
					Baywatch (in Store)				Hours			
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>												
CHS (9)	(12:30) College Baseball	Georgia vs Florida (Live)	In Ring	Boxing: Paco, Stevo (R)					English Soccer			
CNN (1)	News	On News/ Home	Needs Up	Future	Boxing: Beto, Stevo				English Soccer			
NICK (2)	Kaboomy Wild Side	Muppet-Cable	Academy	Dble, Dore	Freshmen You Do				News			
TNT (2)	** "Maneater" (1989) Astronauts are stranded after a technical malfunction.	U.S. Olympic Gold	U.S. Olympic Gold	Dream 2	Preview				NBA Playoffs			
USA (6)	** "The Thing" (1982, Horror) Kurt Russell	** "Dancing With Danger" (1994, Suspense)			Major Deal Wings (C)				Care Closed (C)			
ESPN (3)	Audie Reeling	Sideways: America's Horse	Senior PGA Golf	Las Vegas Classic	Second Round (Live)				Sportsnet			
DISC (2)	Movie	Most Step Classic: Benjamin	Balance of Nature	Beirut to Berlin (C)	Verbal Verbal				Murder			
WGN (2)	"The Love of Ben" (1977, Comedy) ** "On Heavenly Day"				WCW Wrestling				Major League Baseball			
TWC (6)	This Afternoon's Weather	National afternoon weather conditions.	This Evening's Weather	National evening weather conditions.								
WGN (2)	Major League Baseball	Colorado Rockies at Cubs (Live)	Tenth Is, Charles	Saved-Bell	Dreams				Runaway Fortune			
WHSN (10)	(12:00) Spring Gem Fest Week	Spring Gem Fest Week							Spring Gem			
AMC (2)	Man-My Pal	"Croc in the Woods" (1965)	D. Amene	** "The Snarves of Kilmarnock" (1953)	"Castle Cove"				Don't PM			
TBS (5)	News	Racing	Rock	Speed	Winners				News			
MTV (9)	(12:00) Guide to "Alternative Music (in Stereo)				Alternative Nation				Real World			
LIFE (30)	LA Law (C)	Unsolved Mysteries	** "Touched" (1982, Drama) Robert Hayes	** "In a Stranger's Hand" (1991, Suspense)					News			
HN (33)	News	News	News	News	News				News			
FAM (2)	Young Riders (C)	Gunslike (Indian)	Benanza	Big Valley	Snowy River				Bordenline			
ABC (5)	** "J.R." ** "Sweet Charity" (1969, Musical) Shirley Maizline				Evening at the Empress				Home			
<b>HDU</b>												
HDU (1)	"Leonard" "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" (1995) ** "Salsalos" (1993) "PO" (C)	** "Baratas Retires" (1999) Michael Keaton	PG-13									
SHOW (5)	"Quigley Dams" ** "Convicts" (1991, Drama) "N" "Peggy Sue Got Married" (1986)	** "Amos & Andrew" (1993) Niccolio Genn										
TMC (7)	"Gun in Handing" ** "The Birds" (1963) Rod Taylor	PG-13	** "Cap and the Half" (1992) PG-13	"The Karate Kid" (P)								
DISN (16)	** "The Living Desert" (1953) Spacewatch	** "The Apple Dumpling Gang" (1975) (C)	Foira Tale Theatre	"Willy Winks"								

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<b>BROADCAST STATIONS</b>												
KTVI	27	"Dep... Court TV	** "Fight for Life" (1987, Drama) Jerry Lewis	Night Flight (In Stereo)				Jeffersons	Walls	Jenny	Catholic Mass	
KMOV	4	Gloriodots	Court TV News (R)	*** "Take My Daughter, Please" (1986)				News	Emergency	Paid Prog.	Newsmasters	St. Louis
KSDK	6	Rt's Shewtime	Paid Prog.	Radioactive				NBC News	NBC News	Paid Prog.	Business - News (C)	
KNCJ	7	Gospel	Gospel Soundstage	7 Music (In Stereo)	Mission Impossible	Crossroads					Not Be Deceived (R)	Gospel
KSTP	35	* "America's Charla Rose (In Stereo)"	172, Dennis Davis	"Highlanders in Babylon"				Truck			Yardwork	Ford
KETC	8	Charlie Rose (In Stereo)"	** "Gold Friday" (1940)	"The Divorce of Lady L" (1938)				Adventures	Adventure	Psychology	Psychology	Tamara
KPLR	11	3 Steages	Acapulco H.E.A.T.	Cabera (R) (In Stereo)	Thunder in Paradise	Ferni, Ties	Country	Country	Outdoors	Apex	Tomato	
<b>CABLE STATIONS</b>												
SC-	69	Wrap-Up						Wrap-Up				
CNN	62	Diplomatic Service	News+	Future	Larry King Weekend	Sports	Money	Health	Syle (R)	Daybreak	Earn	
ABC	30	Mr. Moore	News+	Cart Smart	Dogmat	Hithrook	Supernatural	Lit Bits	Q	Dennis	Under	
TNT	60	** "Nova Rocket, Will Travel" (1959)	Comedy	"Hercules-Pin"			Ours Gang	Gilligan	Uha-7	J. Quest	Pain Paradox	
USA	12(20)	"The Thing..."	** "Renteds" (1988, Comedy)	Nartin Mull			Karrot	Suwan's	Movie	Capatin N	Terryroos	Scoby
ESPN	62	Spectech,	Motorwheel Speedweek	Senior PGA Golf, Las Vegas	Classic	Second Round (R)	Running	SP	PGA	Sportsfest	PGA Te	
DISC	24	Bekut to Boston (R)	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
TBS	15	Vompage Hunter (R)	Paid Prog.	"Baby Crammer" (1990, Fantasy)			3 Stages	Griffith	Tendrop	In Wilkes	Jerkons	Flunkies
Today Show				Today's Weather, Nature and Conditions					Today's Weather/Nature			
WGON	12	13:30 "Miller's Crossing" (1990)	Rungway	Stars	Jeffersons	White Shadow			Magic Bolt! Mgm	O. Roberts	Armstrong	
WHSL	10	12:00 Spring Gettin' Fast Week		Spring Gem Fast Week							Christophers	
AMC	28	** "My Gal Sal" (1942) Rita Hayworth		*** "Cattle Queen of Montana" (D.Amache	44)	** "Crack in the World" (1945)						
TNN	39	Video Album	Off Air									
MTV	36	Beavis	Devoct	Liquid TV	Dreamstate (In Stereo)							
RFN	30	News	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
Life	33	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
FAM	28	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
ACE	31	Best of Comic Relief		Comedy on the Road	*** "Sweet Charity" (1969, Musical)	Shirley Maizone				(Mystery Histories (R))	Face-Me	
<b>PREMIUM STATIONS</b>												
SHOW	13	2:30 "The Untouchables"	Female	*** "Rolling Paint" (1992, R)	** "To Kill A Priest" (1988, Drama)	** "Dramo"	** "Dramo"				Family Playhouse	
SHOW	15	12:35 "Xan" (1963)	"Sins of Desire" (1992) Tango Bators, NR	*** "Quigley Down Under" (1990) PG-13							Tales	Orchest
TMC	17	"Kinahy,"	** "Chishelm" (1982), Horror	Kick & Kick "R."	** "Enchanted April" (1991)	C	"You're In America"				"Drive Over" (Bem)	
DISN	16	"Apple Dumpling"	"Wilky Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (G)	Ferita Tate Theatne	Noevence	Dumba	Poon Crn	Umber				







# Silver Streak



**Dancing at the fair** — Marshall Brooks of Granite City and Rita Gimpel of Fairview Heights dance to the music of the Waterloo German Band during the Senior Citizens Fair held recently at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

## Apply for widow benefits before age 60

By Bill Hunot  
Social Security Administration

Social Security recently encountered someone who spent as much energy avoiding work as it would take to actually go to work. An Illinois man applied for disability benefits due to asthma, allergies and drug addiction. In pursuit of his claim for benefits, he volunteered the information that he begs and steals to get money for drugs. He said he steals many items, but one of his specialties is stealing chain saws.

Social Security determined that the man is not disabled — not because he doesn't have medical problems — but because he works so hard at stealing.

Social Security doesn't pay disability benefits to people who are performing, in government jargon, substantial gainful activity. For work to be considered substantial, it must involve doing significant and productive physical or mental activities.

To be gainful, the activity must be one that is usually done for pay or profit. In other words, the government says, if you are working, you must be able to work, and by definition, you are not disabled. Generally, work that is worth \$500 or more per month is considered substantial gainful activity.

The man's activities certainly were carried out to realize a profit. And his activities required significant efforts. He said he

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frequently "works" at stealing all day. Planning and executing his crimes, and marketing his merchandise, are significant mental activities. Lifting and carrying chain saws and other booty constitute significant physical activity.

The man said his efforts net him more than \$500 per month. Therefore, Social Security determined he is performing significant gainful activity and is not disabled.

Social Security's decision was upheld in federal court and on appeal. The courts found that the legality of an activity has no bearing on whether it is significant gainful activity. Similarly, the courts have found that illegal businesses are subject to the same taxes as legal ones.

Q. I will turn 60 this summer. How and

when should I apply for widow benefits on my late husband's Social Security?

A. Apply about two months before you turn 60. You can apply over the phone, through the mail or in person at your local Social Security office. If you apply in person, you should call beforehand and make an appointment. The phone number is 1-800-772-1213.

In the meantime, you can gather the documents you'll need to support your claim for benefits. You'll probably need your Social Security number, birth certificate and marriage certificate, plus your spouse's Social Security number, death certificate, birth certificate and proof of his military service if he had any.

Don't delay in applying for benefits while you are gathering documents. Social Security will help you obtain what you need.

Q. I recently read that Social Security's disability funds are getting low. Is this true? When will our benefits stop?

A. Social Security's disability fund is near bankruptcy, because the number of people drawing benefits is at a record level. No one will lose benefits, however. Congress is expected to shift a larger part of Social Security tax revenues into the disability program before a crisis is reached.

Address questions for Bill Hunot to West County Publications, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131.

## Stock that splits may, may not be a bargain

Submitted by Jeffrey Prosser of Edward D. Jones and Co., Granite City

When a stock splits, does that make it a good buy? A stock may look like a real bargain after a split, but, in effect, very little has changed.

For example, a stock selling at \$100 a share announces a two-for-one split, and the shares sell at \$50 after the split.

This can be compared to exchanging a dollar bill for two half-dollars. You still have the same total amount, but you have two pieces of currency instead of one.

Why do companies split their stocks? One reason is to make the stock affordable to more investors.

Stocks on the major exchanges are traded in round lots of 100 shares. Investors may be more willing to invest \$5,000 than \$10,000.

The stock isn't necessarily a better value; it's just available at a more affordable price. The company hopes there will be more buyers at the lower price.

Another reason a company may decide to split its stock is to give the public a message that the company is doing well.

The implication is that the company is reducing the price of the stock because it expects its price to continue moving up.

Often, this is what happens. However, it is not a direct result of the split but rather the performance of the company.

An increase in the company's earnings generally means an increase in the stock price. So, when a stock "always splits at 50," for example, that is because the company's growth merits it, not because 50 is the magic number.

A better way to judge a stock's value is to look at its price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio.

For example, a \$50 stock earning \$5 per share has a P/E of 10 (50/5=10). If the stock is split in half, the \$25 shares earn \$2.50 per share, and the P/E is still 10 (25/2.50=10). When a stock splits, the P/E does not change.

A stock's price and earnings in relation to splits can best be described with the following example:

If the average P/E of a stock is 20, and the earnings are \$5 per share, the target price of the stock is \$100 per share (20 x \$5=100). If the stock splits two-for-one, and the new earnings are \$2.50 per share, multiply that by the average P/E of 20 for the new target price of \$50 per share.

Bargain hunting is the American way. But when a stock trades today for half of what it did yesterday, it may simply be due to a stock split.

## Senior pageant applications now available

Secretary of State George H. Ryan has announced that applications for the 1994 Illinois Senior America Pageant are now available.

This year's pageant will be held Aug. 13 at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield. Contestants will be judged on talent, interview, evening gown competition and their philosophy of life.

To request an application contact the secretary of state's office at 17 N. State, Suite 1152, Chicago, IL 60602, or phone 800-232-2994.

## Garden club meets

The April meeting of the Garden Study Club was held at Shoney's with 11 members present.

Mary Sterum led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and Club Collect. The club now has 13 members.

District V Garden Club of Illinois will hold its annual workshop on May 12 in Mascoutah.

Mary Mang exhibited flowering quince and Clara Winter brought pink, almond, white and white spiral flowers. Irene Doroughazi gave the program Easter Symbols and Nature Lore.

Other members present were Jean Holder, Marie Oetken, Bonnie Rutkowski, Ruth Polson, Chris Hornberger and Helen Meyer.

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## Automation plan may resolve feud between Bathon, Bowles

A plan to automate the Madison County payroll system could resolve a lingering feud between Madison County Clerk Evelyn Bowles and Auditor Fred Bathon over Bathon's proposal to move payroll duties from her office to his.

Automation "would probably seal the fate of the payroll situation," Bowles said last week. She added that automation plans were already in the works when Bathon first pitched his proposal last month.

Two weeks ago the County Board's Finance Committee rejected Bathon's proposal to transfer payroll from Bowles' office to the auditor's office.

Instead, the committee ordered Bathon and Bowles to meet with representatives of the Data Processing Department and County Administrator Jim Monday to discuss automation and other measures that would alleviate the glitches Bathon pointed out in the current payroll system.

The bottom line of the Finance Committee's decision is that payroll will remain in the clerk's office.

Bathon had voiced concerns about duplication of tasks in having his office check the math of Bowles' payroll clerks after the paychecks had already been cut.

Finance Committee members, however, said they were unwilling to referee the dispute, which escalated into personal attacks and shouting matches.

"For the Finance Committee to decide to move payroll from the clerk's office to the auditor would be too much of a radical, abrupt change," committee member Don Rea said.

On Thursday, Bowles said she expects planned automation of the payroll system to alleviate Bathon's concerns.

"Once we get this automated, I should think it will satisfy whatever the auditor was concerned about," Bowles said.

Some officials have also suggested a computer connection that would allow Bathon's staff

to have a look at payroll figures before the checks are cut, but Data Processing Department workers are still exploring that possibility.

Bathon said he is satisfied with the committee's decision, even though it didn't go exactly as he would have wanted it to.

"The primary concern I have is that we make payroll more efficient," Bathon said.

"I'm very confident Data Processing, Jim Monday and the County Clerk's Office will deal with the concerns I raised."

In his original proposal, Bathon said mathematical errors and clerks' failures to properly divide labor between different

departmental funds forced his staff to correct the mistakes after paychecks had already been cut. That, he said, created a bookkeeping nightmare and generated hours of unnecessary work for his office.

Bowles, however, perceived the proposed takeover of payroll as a power grab by Bathon, whom she at one point accused of empire building.

Bowles, 72, is retiring from the clerk's office at the end of her current term. She is the sole Democrat seeking to fill the seat of retiring state Sen. Sam Vadabene.

— From the Alton Telegraph

## •Middle

(Continued from Page 1A)

tion of three teachers at Grigsby and two at Coolidge, would allow students to get:

• An additional two semesters of science (to four semesters from two).

• An additional semester of social studies (to four from three); and

• An additional four semesters of language arts (to eight from four) in the two-year attendance period.

The language arts program would include separate courses in reading and writing, courses which are currently combined, he said.

"Increased student time in our core courses is necessary for our students to prepare for the 21st century and to compete equally on (standardized) tests," Halloway said.

"It would allow our students to

compete on a more even playing field with children from other school districts," he said.

In addition to the core teams, each school would employ an exploratory team and a special education team.

Exploratory teams would be responsible for teaching four semesters of physical education and nine weeks each of art, vocal music, technology (which replaces the current manufacturing and construction classes) and home economics.

Under the plan, students would have about an hour and 45 minutes of exploratory instruction each day.

Instead of schoolwide "tracking" based on student skill levels, the middle school model includes student tracking within each team.

Students would also have a half-hour advisory period each day, led by a core teacher. Band students would attend band class

during this time.

Board Member Walt Whitaker said he has reservations about hiring five additional teachers for the middle schools while split classrooms are still being utilized at the elementary level.

Director of Elementary Education Rich Brinkhoff said that elementary principals have requested 11½ additional teachers next year; if approved, this would eliminate all split classrooms in the district, he said.

Board President Monroe Worthington said he has no problem with the middle-school concept if it meets student needs.

But problems with the current junior-high system were not identified prior to investigating the middle-school concept, as they should have been, he said.

Halen said the middle schools would eliminate the current practice of "dumping every student in the hall every hour," thus reducing the setting for most disciplinary incidents.



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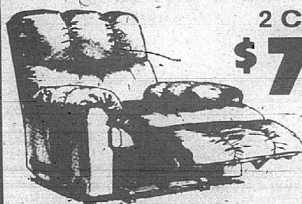
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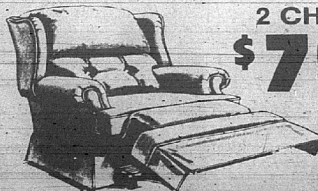
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## Crusaders cross up Lady Warriors 0-0

### Tie leaves kickers scoreless for tourney

By Mark McCall  
Correspondent

There are those who would argue that it really doesn't matter what a coach does or says; it's still up to the players to go out and actually play the game. That may well be the case, but St. Dominic girls soccer coach Les Hager proved Monday night that motivational speeches can still play an important part in a team's performance.

Hager's Crusaders opened the St. Dominic/Francis Howell North Shootout Monday night with a 4-3 loss to Notre Dame. Hager wasn't pleased with his team's performance and he let them know it.

"It's not a matter of the skill level, but the intensity level," said Hager, whose team had let

a 3-1 lead over Notre Dame disappear. "The problem was we didn't go out Monday with the intensity we needed. We had a nice conversation about that, and hopefully, that will pay off."

IT DID ON Tuesday evening, anyway. The Crusaders concentrated on keeping the defensive level high and the result was a 0-0 tie with a tough Granite City team. Keeper Missy Grinstead recorded the shutout for St. Dominic.

Hager said the effort Tuesday was better. Granite City had only a few scoring opportunities. One of them, a shot by Staci Dowdy, hit the crossbar in overtime. But Grinstead was able to cover up and prevent any further damage.

The two teams failed to score

through two 10-minute periods of overtime after 80 minutes of scoreless play in regulation. The Lady Warriors, who lost 1-0 to Parkway Central in the first round Monday, have yet to score in the tournament but have put together scoring opportunities in both games.

"I feel we're playing well," Granite City coach Gene Baker said. "I thought our team played with a lot of composure (Tuesday). I felt we outplayed a good team."

"I was very pleased with some of our kids. We're starting to see some progress in our younger players."

THE TIE MOVED St. Dominic's record to 5-4-2 on the year. Granite City is now 9-2-1. The (See KICKERS, Page 2B)



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.) Granite City's Jill Haddix (front) works loose from a defender.

## Simpson nets six more goals; JV kickers 9-0

The Lady Warrior junior varsity soccer team ran its record to 9-0 last week with victories over McCluer North and Carbondale. Granite City freshman Roxie Simpson scored six goals in the two games and now has 16 on the year. The Lady Warriors have outscored the opposition 40-1 this season, but coach Virgil Kirksey said his team will get two tough tests next week against Duchesne and Hazelwood Central.

"Now we're going into a tougher part of the schedule," Kirksey said.

The Lady Warriors added two more shutouts last week and now have eight on the season. Granite City blasted McCluer North 9-0 on April 18 behind four goals from Simpson.

MICHELLE MONTGOMERY added two goals and one assist. Carrie Simpson had a goal and an assist, and Amanda Nizinski and Rachel McFarland each had a goal. Rachel Kennerly had two assists and Crystal Timmons and Nina Serrano had one apiece.

Jennifer Martin and Joy Derosset combined in goal for the shutout. Kirksey singled out the defensive play of Jamie Hendrickson, Eryn Ellis and sweepers Connie Meyers.

"As a team, it was probably one of their best games of the year," Kirksey said. "They played with a lot of poise."

Granite City followed up with a 5-0 win over Carbondale on April 22. Simpson led the way with two more goals, the second one coming on a bicycle kick off a pass from Kennerly.

Kennerly and Montgomery both scored unassisted goals. Nizinski closed out the scoring with an assist from Ellis. Derosset was in goal for the shutout.

With the varsity team playing in this week's St. Dominic-Francis Howell North Shootout, the Lady Warrior JV team has taken the week off. The team's next game is 4:30 p.m. Monday at home against Duchesne.

## Knights rally, tie Hawks in rain-shortened match

By Steve Overbey  
Correspondent

The Francis Howell North soccer team could easily throw in the towel.

Instead, the Knights kept plugging away.

Howell North, without its top scorer, rallied to tie the powerful Hazelwood Central 1-1 Tuesday night in the second round of the St. Dominic/Francis Howell North Shootout at Howell North.

THE MATCH was halted at halftime due to rain and lightning. It was not resumed but is considered an official contest by tournament rules.

The Knights improved to 13-1-2 with the tie but lost any hope of reaching the championship match in the talent-rich, eight-team field. They tied Nerinx Hall in first-round play Monday and carried an 0-0-2 pool mark into Thursday's contest with Parkway West, Hazelwood Central, which is 12-1-1 overall and 1-0-1 in pool play, is almost certain to advance to Saturday's final.

The Knights, meanwhile, are likely headed to the third-place match Saturday at 2 p.m. at

Howell North.

Despite coming up a little short in his own tournament, Knights' coach Dan Hogan is pleased with the performance of his club. Howell North lost its top scorer, junior Tracy Grose, to a knee injury last week. She is out for the season. Grose, an outstanding club and select-level player, was the heart and soul of the team.

Still, the Knights have hardly missed a beat. They rallied from a 1-0 deficit against a strong Hazelwood Central squad, which is the class of the always-tough Suburban North Conference.

"I'm proud of what we've done," Hogan said. "Losing (Grose) was tough, but this team's got a lot of fine players."

"WE'LL JUST KEEP making adjustments and do what we have to do."

Freshman forward Erin Waller helped pick up some of the slack Tuesday. She teamed with junior defender Patti Anderson to record one of the finest goals of the season. Anderson sent a high looping pass off a free kick deep into the penalty area. Waller came from out of nowhere to

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(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Lady Warrior pitcher Julie Tankley unwinds.

## Granite City to play in softball tourney

The Lady Warrior softball team will play four games in one day when it takes the field Saturday at the Robinson Invitational.

Granite City will meet Carbondale, Robinson, Bartonville Limestone and Hutsonville in the five-team tournament. The Lady Warriors will start play at 8:30 a.m. against Carbondale.

### Robinson Invitational

Saturday, April 30	
Game 1: Robinson vs. Hutsonville, 8:30 a.m.	
Game 2: Granite City vs. Carbondale, 8:30 a.m.	
Game 3: Robinson vs. Granite City, 10:15 a.m.	
Game 4: Limestone vs. Bartonville, 10:15 a.m.	
Game 5: Granite City vs. Limestone, 12 p.m.	
Game 6: Robinson vs. Carbondale, 12 p.m.	
Game 7: Hutsonville vs. Carbondale, 2 p.m.	
Game 8: Robinson vs. Limestone, 2 p.m.	
Game 9: Limestone vs. Carbondale, 4 p.m.	
Game 10: Granite City vs. Hutsonville, 4 p.m.	

## Stormy weather stops running at County meet

By Mike Kelly  
Correspondent

The Madison County Track Meet at Kahok Stadium was suspended Tuesday due to inclement weather.

Lightning and a severe thunderstorm warning forced meet organizers to postpone the meet after 15 events. The announcement was made following the conclusion of the 300-meter intermediate hurdles.

The stands were cleared and the athletes were ordered to their respective buses. Following a brief meeting among the coaches, it was decided the meet would be completed on Wednesday at Highland High School.

THE ONLY EVENTS remaining were the 200-meter run, the 1000-meter run and the 4x400 relay.

"We feel we made the right decision," Collinsville track coach Ed Eschman said. "Safety comes first. We'll just wrap everything up (Wednesday). In a situation like this, it's better to be safe than sorry."

With the exception of the boys' green division, Highland held a 57-45 lead over Tiaid

Madison County Meet	
Boys Red Division (Through 12 events)	
Team standings: 1. Alto 82; 2. Edwardsville 79; 3. Granite City 34; 4. Collinsville 25.	
Girls Red Division (Through 11 events)	
Team standings: 1. Edwardsville 50; 2. Alto 43; 3. Collinsville 40; 4. Granite City 31.	
Boys Green Division (Through 14 events)	
Team standings: 1. Highland 57; 2. Tiaid 45; 3. Joplin 34; 4. Alto 31; 5. Madison 24; 6. Bethalto 23; 7. Metro East 18; 8. Bethalto 17; 9. Metro East 16; 10. Wood River 4; 11. Metro East 15; 12. Wood River 4; 13. Metro East 15; 14. Wood River 4.	
Girls Green Division (Through 14 events)	
Team standings: 1. Highland 70; 2. Alto 52; 3. Bethalto 41; 4. Metro East 36; 5. Madison 18; 6. Tiaid 15; 7. Wood River 4; 8. Metro East 15; 9. Wood River 4; 10. Metro East 15; 11. Wood River 4; 12. Metro East 15; 13. Wood River 4; 14. Metro East 15.	

through 14 events, the meet was a one-sided affair in the three other divisions.

Alton had a commanding 99-73 lead over second-place Edwardsville in the boys' red division through 15 events. Despite the fact that Alton captured seven events, the Tigers got solid performances from James Keller in the pole vault (12-6), Joe Hofeditz in the 800-meter run (2:01.4) and Gus Booker in the shot put (69-12).

Meanwhile, Edwardsville had all but sewn up the girls' red division. The Tigers held a commanding 90-43 lead on second-place Alton through 15 events.

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(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Granite City's Casey Krinski (left) races against Meridith Moore of Edwardsville in Tuesday's Madison County Meet.

## Lady Warrior soccer

Brooks	G	A	P
Stacy Dowdy	19	3	19
Patricia Peterson	12	2	12
Karen Kossel	11	3	11
Kelly Thomas	7	2	7
Jennifer Splaingard	6	2	6
Yvonne Davis	2	2	4
Denise Duka	2	1	1
Sarah Williams	1	1	1
Penny Kisher	1	1	1
Amy Hanson	1	1	1
Amy Rogers	1	1	1
Kara Cullen	1	1	1
Rhi Hadden	0	2	2
Tonya Gervase	0	1	1
Roxie Simpson	0	1	1
Amanda Nizinski	0	1	1
Jaime Dellinger	0	0	0
<b>Grants</b>			
Mikla Emmert	7	1	7
allowed			

## Schedule

Thursday, April 28	
BASEBALL: Belleville East at St. Louis, 4:15 p.m.	
GIRLS SOCCER: Granite City vs. St. Louis at Notre Dame at St. Dominic-Hirsch North Shootout, 7 p.m.	
Friday, April 29	
TENNIS: Granite City at Belleville East Invitational, 8:30 p.m.	
BOYS TRACK: Granite City at Marion Invitational, 4 p.m.	
SOFTBALL: Civic Memorial at Granite City, 4 p.m.	
BASEBALL: Granite City at Edwardsville, 7:30 p.m.	
Saturday, April 30	
TENNIS: Granite City at Belleville East Invitational, 8 a.m.	
SOFTBALL: Granite City vs. Carbondale at Robinson Invitational, 8:30 a.m. Granite City vs. Robinson, 10:15 a.m. Granite City vs. Bartonville Limestone, 12 p.m. Granite City vs. Hutsonville, 4 p.m.	
SABER: Central at Granite City (2), 10 a.m.	
BOYS TRACK: Madison at East St. Louis Invitational, 10:30 a.m.	
Monday, May 2	
SOFTBALL: Visitation at Granite City, 4:15 p.m.	
GIRLS SOCCER: Duchesne at Granite City, 6 p.m.	
Tuesday, May 3	
GIRLS TRACK: Madison at Roxana Relay, 10:30 a.m.	
SOFTBALL: Granite City at Alto, 4 p.m.	
BASEBALL: Granite City at Alto, 5:15 p.m.	

## Trivial matters

1. Two Metro East pitchers are in the top three in the IHSA softball record book for the fewest walks in a career, with a minimum of 140 innings pitched. Who were they?

2. What Metro East pitcher threw three shutouts in the 1989 IHSA Class AA softball tournament to lead her team to the title?

Answers at right.

## Community Sports Calendar

**Basketball camp at BAC**  
Area youngsters will have the opportunity to sharpen their basketball skills at the Little Nipper Basketball Camps, to be held at Belleville Area College on four consecutive Saturdays, May 7-28.

Camp times on the four Saturdays are 9-10 a.m. for grades 1-2, 10:15-11:15 a.m. for grades 3-4 and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for grades 5-6. The cost of the camp is \$30.

For more information, call the BAC athletic department at 235-2700, extension 271.



## Coming up

**SWC showdown**  
Jeff Ridenour (left) and the Warrior baseball team will take on Belleville East in a Southwestern Conference game at 4:15 p.m. today at Varsity Field.

**Trivia answers**  
1. Roanna Brazier of Bethalto Civic Memorial and Sharon Coleman of Cahokia, both in the mid-1980s.  
2. Mikla McPherson of Belleville East.



# Kickers

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Lady Warriors will play Notre Dame at 7 p.m. tonight in their third game at St. Dominic.

Tuesday's second game at St. Dominic between Parkway Central and Notre Dame was suspended because of rain and was scheduled to be made up Wednesday. Granite City was still in the running to advance to Saturday's final round at Francis Howell North.

The winners of the two four-team brackets will play for the title. The second-place finishers in both groups will meet in the third-place game beginning at 2 p.m. The title game will follow.

The Lady Warriors have been without two key players, juniors Holly Farnsworth and Christy Costello. Farnsworth is one of the team's top scorers, and Costello is one of Granite City's most versatile players. Both are out with ankle injuries.

"We're improving and hoping to get Christy back next week," Baker said. "We still don't know about Holly."

St. Dominic and Granite City were both 0-1 in the quarterfinals after the first two rounds of action.

Hager said that as they did on Tuesday, the Crusaders will have to play good defense to be successful.

"We have to concentrate more

# Knights

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leap out of a pack of players and head the ball past Hazelwood Central keeper Michelle Becker.

"Everything worked the way it was supposed to," Hogan said.

The goal, which came with four minutes left in the half, was only the fourth given up by Hazelwood Central this season and the third surrendered by Becker.

"There wasn't much Michelle could do," Hawks coach Dean Schulenberg said. "It was a fine play."

Hazelwood Central jumped to a 1-0 lead on a goal by junior Amy Segraves at the 16-minute mark. Segraves' headed in a free kick off the foot of sophomore Aubrey Cardinal. The shot changed directions and fooled North freshman keeper Kristy Kuhlman.

"It was a good half of soccer for both teams," said Hogan.

"Too bad it couldn't continue."

A severe lightning storm at the beginning of intermission forced the teams to take cover. Then the heavy rains began. The match was called after a 30-minute delay.

## St. Dominic/Howell N. Shootout

Monday, April 25

Game 1: Notre Dame 5, St. Dominic 3  
Game 2: Parkway Central 1, Granite City 0

at Francis Howell North

Game 3: Howell North 0, Nerinx Hall 0  
Game 4: Hazelwood Central 3, Parkway West 1

Tuesday, April 26

at St. Dominic

Game 5: Granite City 0, St. Dominic 0  
at Howell North

Game 6: Nerinx Hall 2, Parkway West 0  
Game 7: Howell North 1, Hazelwood Central 1

Wednesday, April 27

at St. Dominic

Game 8: Parkway Central vs. Notre Dame

Thursday, 28

at St. Dominic

Game 9: Parkway Central vs. St. Dominic, 5 p.m.  
Game 10: Granite City vs. Notre Dame, 7 p.m.

at Howell North

Game 11: Parkway West vs. Howell North, 5 p.m.  
Game 12: Nerinx Hall vs. Hazelwood Central, 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 30

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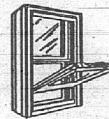
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on the defensive side of the ball," Hager said. "It's strange, we've either been getting a lot of goals or no goals at all. Five or six of the games we've played have been shutouts."

"We've already had two 0-0 ties; but we've had other games where we've won 7-0, or 4-0, or 5-0. Then we came up Monday and lost a shootout 4-3. It's been kind of a strange year."

St. Dominic had a game Thursday with Parkway Central, which should determine whether or not they'll be one of the four teams at Howell North on Saturday.

Hager said that next year, the Dominic/North event will expand to 12 teams and should include teams like St. Joseph's Academy and Incarnate Word Academy.



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## •Meet

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Highland was only three events shy of nailing down its 17th consecutive title in the girls green division.

The Lady Bulldogs, who have won the event since its inception in 1978, had 103 points through 14 events. Roxana was a distant second with 52 points.

The Granite City boys turned in one of their better efforts in years in the red division. The Warriors only had 34 points, but they crowned a pair of champions.

Sean Lewis, coming off his impressive showing at the Tiger Relays (on April 20), won the 3200 (10:38.7). Nathan Owen finished first in the discus (136-5).

Stephanie Brandt paced the girls team by finishing first in the discus with a career-best throw of 115 feet, 3 inches. Amanda Brazee won the 300 intermediate hurdles (51.7) and Jeanine McMillan captured the high jump (4-10).

Madison produced a pair of champions in the boys green division. Tavarus Young won the 400 (51.5) and the 4x100 relay team finished first (45.3). Andre Weathers finished second in the 100 (11.3), and Edmund Butler was third in the triple jump (39-8) and fourth in the long jump (18-9 1/4).

The Trojanettes' 4x200 relay team finished second (1:55.6).

Collinsville got a strong performance from Dale Scholast in the high jump (second with an effort of 6-0). Saba Winans paced the Lady Knights with victories in the 3200 (13:43.9) and the 800 (2:37.6). Katie Meyer won the long jump (14-11 1/2) and Quentell Lyles finished first in the 100 high hurdles.

## Men's Class C-D softball tourney this weekend

K.T. sports will hold a men's NSA qualifier Class C-D softball tournament Saturday and Sunday at Fountain Lakes in St. Louis.

The tournament will feature \$1000 worth of prizes. The deadline for entry is today. For more information, call Kevin at 314-858-2366.

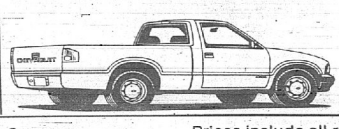
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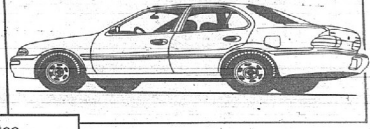
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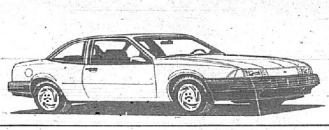


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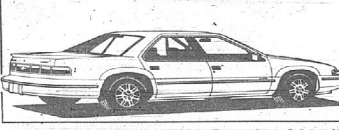
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## 1,000 honored at SIUE Honors Day Convocation

More than 1,000 students at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville were recognized for academic achievement, Sunday, April 17, at the annual Honors Day Convocation. Ceremonies were held in the University Center. Approximately 200 students received special awards.

Each year at the convocation, the SIUE Foundation gives awards to the graduating male and female with the highest four-year grade point averages. This year's awards for academic excellence went to Leigh Sellers of Hillsboro and Janella Yobbi of Granite City (both with 4.0 GPAs) and Greg Grapenhaus of Highland (with a 3.96 GPA).

During the ceremonies, Rahim Karpour, assistant professor of mathematics and statistics at SIUE, received this year's Teaching Excellence Award. He will receive a \$2,000 monetary award. The award recognizes the outstanding faculty member of the year. Recipients of the award are first nominated by students enrolled in the instructors' classes and then selected by members of a University-wide panel.

Also honored for teaching excellence were: Richard Brum, professor biological studies; Debra Hoge, associate professor of speech pathology and audiology; Dennis Kitz, associate professor of biological studies; and Noble Thompson, associate professor of geography.

Students who received special awards include: GRANITE CITY: James Down, American Concrete Institute International Poster Competition Award (first place); Lynn Gamble, Friends of Art Honors Award in Art History; Brian Henry, Elmer C. Broz Award for Achievement in Journalism and the Kamal Winter Achievement Award; Patricia L. Henson, E.R. Casseveens Award in Excellence in Business Communications; Rich Morien, Owen Jacquemin Sullivan Dental Student Honors Award; Elizabeth Parker, John W. and Eva M. Morgan Award in Theater and Drama; Angela Spray, American Chemical Society Outstanding Junior Chemistry Award; Elly Ott Weismann Award in Biological Sciences, Biology Senior Award, the School of Sciences, Donald G. Myer Outstanding Student Award, and the Phi Kappa Phi Undergraduate Scholarship Award; Janella Yobbi, SIUE Foundation Academic Excellence Award.

MADISON: John Cawly, Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award.

VENICE: Jeffrey Griggs, Ella Ott Weismann Award in Statistics (Economics); Joyce Nagel Miller, Sociology Club Member of the Year Award.

For Honors Day recognition, students must maintain a grade point average of 3.50 or better. In addition, those students must have completed and passed at least 24 calculated hours of studies at the University to be eligible for recognition. Students with a grade point average of 3.9 or above are indicated by an asterisk (\*).

GRANITE CITY: Freshmen: Michelle Knox; Sophomores: Carrie Bover; Richard Boyett; Donna Haskell; Thomas Scariano; Linda Wense;

Larry Wiegand  
Juniors: Deirdre Baggot; Brian Henry; Jennifer Hitt; Patricia Vance; Christian Moulton; Vera Pempiller; Susan Stagg; Jennifer Valber

Seniors: Rita Adkins; Susan Burmesiter; Diana Caruso; Jennifer Davis; Melissa Gattung; Hyland Harris; Denise Hendrix; Patricia Henson; Erika Hubert; Allen Kung; Patricia Luebmann; Shelly McClelland; Christine Mills; Kenny Muller; Andrea Nantoff; Heather Nobus; Elizabeth Parker; Marleen Rodgers; Donna Skouby; James Smallwood; Cheryl Swift; Melissa Tapp; Edgar Thomas; Janet Vaughn; Ralph Walden; Jody Warren; Roberta Welsler; Tammi Wickham; Janella Yobbi

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Juniors: Dawn Hamm; David Look  
Seniors: Jennifer Depew



**Student of the Week** — Thomas McClanahan, kindergarten student at Wilson Grade School, was recently named Student of the Week, according to Principal Kathy McBride. Tommy is the grandson of William and Donna Earhart of Granite City.

## St. Elizabeth students take part in music contest

Students from St. Elizabeth's School participated in the music contest held at North Junior High School in Collinsville on March 19. Those participating in piano solos and their ratings were: Scott Nigili, first superior; and Elvings Brooks, Jay Gensert, Felicia Mohsen, Ghassan Mohsen and Ismahah Mohsen, all first place. Those participating in vocal solos and their ratings were: Jennifer Goodrich, Felicia Mohsen and Angela Perdue, all first; and Ismahah Mohsen, second. Those in vocal duet with a first were Felicia and Ismahah Mohsen.

Receiving a first in ensemble was the lab choir. Members of the choir are Elvings Brooks, Andrew Bukovac, Kim Cavar, Liz Dittman, Linda Dohnal, Bobbie Dorris, Cookie Fields, Sonny Fields, Candice Gensert, Amy Goodrich, Amy Goshie, Candice Johnson, Ruthe Koliste, Catherine Layloff, Julie Mills, Felicia Mohsen, Ismahah Mohsen, Scott Nigili, Angela Perdue, Christine Spadd, Dimans Spadich, Kristin Stovall, Anna Tapp, Katie Thornton and Gretchen Wiegand. Debbie Popovchak is the music teacher.



## THE LAW AND YOU

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In one recent Illinois case, a pre-school obtained a policy of liability insurance which covered bodily injury to persons hurt on school property. The policy provided coverage for these injuries in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence with a \$2,000 deductible per claim. The policy itself provided that the insurance company could settle a claim without the consent of the insured, even if that claim fell within the deductible portion of the policy.

In this case, a young child was injured on the pre-school property. A claim was made on behalf of the child, and the insurance company settled the claim for \$1,800 after conducting an investigation. The company paid the \$1,800 and sent the pre-school a bill for this sum. The school refused to reimburse the company, claiming that the insurer acted in a self-serving manner without considering the interests of the pre-school. The school maintained that a claims adjuster for the insurance company informed the school that the school was not liable for the child's injuries. The company then proceeded to settle the claim within the deductible portion of the policy without the school's consent. The pre-school felt this showed bad faith by the insurer.

The Court ruled that the insurance company had the right to settle the claim within the policy limits. The Court noted that the pre-school could have obtained a policy at the outset with a smaller deductible or one which would have required the insured's consent before a claim was settled. Since they did not negotiate a more favorable contract of insurance, the Court ruled that the school would have to reimburse the insurer for the \$1,800 paid out.

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